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GARDEN CULTIVATION

Local Committee Gives a Word of Advice to Amateur Gardeners Concerning the Work.

The committee in charge of the cultivation of the city gardens is very much afraid that the young gardeners of the city are becoming discouraged on account of the continued cold weather, and they wish to say that the recent cold spell will not necessarily result in permanent injury to their gardens. If, after a few days of warm weather, the seeds which have been planted do not come up, it would be well to dig in the ground very carefully and see if the seeds have sprouted, and if they have not done so, see if they have rotted. In the eveit it is found they have rotted, it is a very easy matter to open up the row and sow the seed over again, as was done in the first instance. There is still plenty of time for all vegetables to be raised from the seed, with the exception, of course, of tomatoes and cabbage, which, no doubt, everyone knows should be raised from plants, which can be procured from various places in the city.

The committee has thought it well to publish an extract from the United States Farmers' Bulletin No. 818, in regard to the cultivation of gardens, which covers the question very thoroughly and should be studied carefully by everyone who wishes to make a success of their garden:

Cultivation.

The importance of cultivation has been referred to in the discussion of the preparation of the seed bed. It is, however, after the seeds have sprouted or after the plants have been set in their permanent locations that cultivation becomes of major importance. The gardener should never permit the surface of the soil to become baked or even to form an appreciable crust. Constant stirring with hand tools or a wheel cultivator should be practiced between the rows and about the plants. Such a stirring permits the air to penetrate the soil, where it facilitates chemical action and bacterial activity, destroys weeds which otherwise would utilize large amounts of plant food, and, finally, conserves the moisture supply. The rake is perhaps the gardener's most valuable tool in cultivating. This can be passed backward and forward over the ground until it is in an open, mellow condition. Where vegetables grow closely in the rows it often will be necessary to supplement the cultivation by hand weeding. Small implements are made for this purpose, and may be purchased cheaply. It is well also in some cases to pull up weeds by hand, especially where they grow closely about the stalks of the garden plants.

Stirring the Soil After Rains.

Just as the gardeners should be careful in early spring not to dig the ground when the soil is too moist, so he should be careful later in the season not to cultivate too soon after rains. The stirring of very muddy soil "puddles" it into a compact, cement-like mass in which the plant food is securely locked. The garden will require attention, however, as soon as the excess moisture from a rain has soaked in or partially evaporated. Unless the ground is stirred at this time a crust will form almost inevitably. Such a crust, besides restricting the plants, prevents the access of air, and also facilitates the loss of moisture through evaporation.

A Laugh Assured.

A healthy diversion is essential in these days of depressing uncertainties. A laugh will do more to remedy all your troubles than anything else. Just try and see what it will do for you by going to the Opera House tonight.

Mr. W. B. Peckham is the director of "The Washington Players," who will keep you well entertained for an hour anyway. All Alexandrians who have seen him in the Washington performances are enthusiastic. The tickets, which are on sale at Warfield's and Gibson's, should go like hot cakes. This will be the first appearance of these players in Alexandria.

W. M. Priest will have for sale another barrel of small smoked hams at 25 cents a pound, on Friday and Saturday, May 11 and 12, 300 north Patrick street. 111-4t.

Maryland spring chickens at Rammel's cafe.

Fish, Clams, Oysters, Crabs, at Phone 307J. J. BRILL No. 2 King St.

SUBMARINE CHASERS

Work Started on Contract to Build Twenty Government Boats in Alexandria.

The Gazette announced in its columns a short time ago that a government contract had been secured for the building of twenty boats, known as submarine chasers, and that they would be built at Dean's Shipyard in this city. Today a deed was admitted to record in the clerk's office of the corporation Court, from Charles A. Dean to Tucker K. Sands of Washington, D. C., conveying all the property at Montgomery and Lee streets, together with all the machinery, appliances and rights used in the business known as Dean's Shipyards.

The new owners are already busy making extensive changes at the Shipyards. A large gang of laborers are engaged in leveling down the land so that the necessary room may be obtained on which to lay the keels of the twenty submarine chasers. some eight or ten teams and thirty or more men were working there yesterday afternoon.

It is stated that the name of the new company will be The General Shipbuilding and Aeroplane Company, and that at present the general offices of the company are located in the city of Washington.

Will Employ from Two to Three Hundred Men.

The company have secured the twenty contracts for the boats as first stated. It is said that each boat will be 110 feet in length, with 15 1-2 feet beam, and will have three engines of 250 horse-power each.

The necessary materials for the building of the boats has already been ordered and is on the way to Alexandria, it is stated, and when the work is fully under way from two to three hundred men will be employed.

NO SEPARATE PEACE

Even Should Germany Withdraw U-Boats, U. S. Would Not Act Without Consent of Allies.

The United States will not conclude a separate peace with Germany Even should the Berlin government offer terms acceptable to this country, there will be no action unless taken jointly with the European allies

This definition of American policy was given at the State Department yesterday afternoon as a result of widespread reports during the last few days that Germany contemplated a proposition to this country. Cable dispatches from Europe yesterday afternoon further indicated that the imperial government was about to make another statement of terms.

The State Department made flat denial of reports that proposals from Berlin had already reached this government. Secretary of State Lansing declared that nothing whatever had been heard through any channel or from any source.

Whereas in February this government would have accepted a discontinuance of submarine warfare by Germany as a sufficient concession to avoid a break in relations, it was declared yesterday that even should Germany withdraw every U-boat she has from the ocean, it would not lead this nation to listen to her peace proposals now.

The question is graver and deeper, and the department would not make known the terms it has in mind as to what peace must be when it comes. It is known, however, that the aims and purposes of the administration are drafted on the lines laid down by President Wilson in his war address to Congress. The extension of democratic government and guarantees under which smaller nations shall be safe form the keystone of this position.

This does not mean, however, that the administration contemplates making this nation a signatory to the joint agreement binding for allies to a peace for all or peace for none policy.

Alexandria City and Suburbs

Mr. Louis B. Poss left this morning for the naval training station at Newport, Rhode Island.

It is said that Alexandria has sent more recruits to the navy than any other city its size in the state.

Mr. Carl Bohraus who has been confined to his home for the past several weeks is able to be out again.

The Rosemont unit of the Alexandria Red Cross Branch has a membership of forty-four who are working splendidly in the interest of the Red Cross needs.

Mr. and Mrs. O. Delanoy and Miss Virginia Delanoy, of Oldham, Westmoreland county, are the guests of Mrs. Thomas Ballenger, at her home in south St. Asaph street.

Thomas E. Dyson, of this city, has been re-elected state treasurer of the state convention, Knights of Columbus, and P. M. Bradshaw chosen trustee of the Odd Fellows' Orphanage by the grand lodge of Odd Fellows.

The local Red Cross Branch met this morning in their rooms over Burke and Herbert's Bank, with about 25 members present and a number of donations were gratefully received. The members accomplished considerable work in the three hour's time today.

A Pie Social was held yesterday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ross, 211 N. Patrick street, for the benefit of the G. I. A. The Ladies of the Aid, as well as their host of friends present, spent a very enjoyable evening. The house was artistically decorated in red, white and blue.

Captain and Mrs. Herbert Young, and Captain McCrae leave today for Philadelphia to attend the Salvation Army Congress to be held in that city, and will not return until Wednesday of next week. The services in the Salvation Army Hall will be the same as usual for the week-end, and will be conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Kitson, of Baltimore.

A "First Aid Class" was organized Wednesday evening among the ladies of Rosemont, and started off with the full class of twenty-five members, under the direction of Dr. Llewellyn Powell. The meetings will be held on Monday and Thursday evenings at the home of Mrs. Edward H. Kemper, in Rosemont avenue.

Mrs. Silas Cooper, of Culpeper, attended the meeting of the Piedmont Convocation in this city. Wednesday.

Stuart Draper, aged 11, was this morning sent to the reformatory at Laurel, Va., by Police Justice Caton.

The First Aid Class of the Girl's Club, under the direction of Dr. Geo. T. Klipstein, will meet Monday evening at 8 o'clock in Lee Camp Hall.

Fines amounting to $15 were imposed upon three offenders brought up in police court this morning. They were James Lucas, John McCork and George Chapman, the latter a colored man, all charged with having been drunk and disorderly.

Alexandria High School this morning sent the following team to Charlottesville to represent it at the athletic meeting to be held there today and tomorrow at the University of Virginia: Carl Dreifus, Wesley Bitzer, Robert Hancock, Norman Simpson, Francis Summers, Thurston DeMasters, Harry Meeks, Aubrey Lynch, Thomas Rowen, Elwin Brawner and Paul Howard.

General E. W. Nichols, superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute, will deliver an address in the interest of the Virginia Council of National Defense, in the opera house in Alexandria on Wednesday evening of next week at 8 o'clock. General Nichols is said to be an eloquent speaker, is the author of several books, and eminently qualified to speak upon the subject which he will discuss. There will also be other speakers who will address the meeting.

Twenty-eight members of the Mt. Vernon Ladies' Association of the Union, gathered in annual session for their fifty-first council at Mount Vernon yesterday. At the morning session in addition to routine business, Miss Harriet C. Comegys, of Delaware, regent, delivered her annual address, in which she reviewed the work of the association. She called attention to a gift of a clock owned by Lawrence Washington, the builder of Mount Vernon. The clock is said to have stood on the staircase at Mount Vernon during the life of George Washington. The customary ceremony of placing a wreath on the tomb of George Washington was observed.

J. T. Preston, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, went to La Plata, Md., this morning.

John Lawrence Kelly was granted a limited divorce from Mamie Owen Kelly, in the Circuit Court today.

Mrs. Lorin T. Walters and two children left today to visit relatives in Burketown, Virginia.

Mr. James Johnston who has spent the winter in Charlottesville, is the guest of relatives in Alexandria.

Springdale Farm will begin the manufacture of ice cream this week. The latest up-to-date apparatus has been secured for the purpose.

Miss Rose MacDonald of this city, custodian of the library of the bureau of fisheries, Washington, delivered an address yesterday afternoon in Richmond before the equal suffrage league on "How to Meet the Catering Difficulties of the Table."

The name of H. T. White, secretary of the colored citizens' association, was unintentionally omitted from the list of names published in these columns day before yesterday concerning the work which the association has been engaged in the interest of the colored wards for the new hospital building.

James S. Douglas, jr., James Roberts, A. L. Uhler, Charles J. Deahl, Jr., C. Keith Carlin, Aylett B. Nicol, French Simpson, Henry Nolley and Eugene Lindsey have received orders to report for duty at the Fort Myer officers' reserve training camp on Monday next. Some fifteen or more men received notifications yesterday but is not known how many were accepted.

In the voting contest in the public schools yesterday for the selection of a boy and girl to represent Uncle Sam and Miss Columbia in the May day pageant to be given one week from today, Richard Wright was the leading candidate among the boys. He received 163 ballots. Norman Lawler came next with 67, Marshall Travers, 27, Jack Howard, 26 and Bernard Yates last with 24. Rose Murphy led in the girls' race with 220 votes. Susie Sims followed with 171, Dorothy Steele, 154, Eunice Ayers, 81, Beulah Sullivan, 67, and Ruth Bragg, 29. The voting will continue this afternoon and all day tomorrow at which time the contest closes.

TO STOP BAD EGG TRAFFIC

Shippers Cited Before Federal Food And Drug Officials for shipping.

Washington, May 11.—A number of egg shippers in Kansas, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Texas have been cited to appear before the Bureau of Chemistry, U. S. Department of Agriculture, to show cause why they are not guilty of violating the food and drug act by shipping cases of eggs containing large numbers of rots and spots. The food and drug act prohibits the interstate shipment of bad eggs, which are held to be adulterated food.

The department also is notifiying egg shippers in this territory to candle all eggs before shipment.

"Food, Feed and Fertility."

The plain truth is that the Southern farmer must, because of the ever rising prices, in large measure go without the foodstuffs he does not raise, says the Progressive Farmer. Corn is locally quoted now at $1.60 a bushel and oats at 90 cents, and $2 corn, $1.25 oats and $40 hay within six months need not surprise anyone. Wheat has passed $2 a bushel and may go to $3; hogs are $15 a hundred on foot, and may go to $20 or even $25. People who have to buy their foodstuffs are already suffering, and the situation will get worse before it gets better. "Food, Feed and Fertility First" should be the watchword. Have you made it yours?

Spring Dale Farm.
Home-Made Ice Cream

Delicious home-made strawberry ice-cream, delivered every day beginning Sunday, May 13th, Also frozen custard for Sunday. Telephone your order now to E. J. Mueller, 825 Duke St. Phone 331-J; Brawner and Bro., King and Washington streets, Phone 93; or to Spring Dale Farm, Fairfax County, Phone 490. 1-113-2t.

SPEAKS ON FISH AS FOOD.

Miss MacDonald Tells Housewives They Can Feed Their Families at Less Cost.

To be delayed by a wreck and appear direct from the late train to a waiting audience ,and then to charm that audience by a delightful exposition of fish as food is not an easy task, and yet it was accomplished yesterday afternoon at Equal Suffrage Headquarters in Richmond by Miss Rose MacDonald of the Bureau of Fisheries, and with such ease that one might think that wrecks and the like were part of the day's work.

Miss MacDonald is a resident of Alexandria. She began her remarks with a quotation from one of President Wilson's speeches: "We are here to serve," and she pointed out that the women of Virginia, particularly the housewives, are urged in this national crisis to uphold the President's hands by the practice of thrift and economy in their selection of food.

"Cheap foods are not necessarily economical," said Miss MacDonald, "for the element of nutrition must not be sacrificed, and hardworking men and women must receive the amount of nourishment in order to perform their daily form of service, but you will find that many fish contain as many calories as meat, and can be made as palatable. We must not indulge our epicurean tastes—this generation must create a new social inheritance in the food line for the generations to follow." And fish canned, smoked or died, which is recommended by the Bureau of Fisheries, Miss MacDonald stated, would be found safe and satisfactory to purchase.

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MUNITION MEN REVOLT.

Big Petrograd District Announces Intention to Form Separate Republic Provisional President Arrested.

Petrograd, May 11.—The Schisselberg munitions district revolted today. Workmen and citizens of the district announced their intention of organizing a separate republic.

Representatives of the workmen's and soldiers' committee left here at once to dissuade the revolters from their announced purpose. The Provisional President of the munitions district was arrested by the rebels.

Just how serious the revolt is was not made clear in dispatches received here. Apparently, however, there was no violence.

Warns Against Peace Moves.

Petrograd, May 11.—"Only complete defeat of Germany will assure the world's happiness. Peace now would only be an armistice. Russia cannot betray the allies with whom she has been fighting for three years"

In these words today, President Rodzianko, of the Duma, forcefully pleaded with the Russian governing body for unswerving continuance of Russia's part in the war and warned against insidious peace moves inspired by Germany.

"The war must be successfully terminated in a manner preserving the country's integrity and national honor," he asserted. "Victory must be decisive."

13 AUSTRIAN 'SUBS' SUNK.

Heavy Toll of U-Boats Taken in Mediterranean.

Thirteen Austrian submarines have been sunk in the Mediterranean in the last three weeks by Italian naval forces, it was learned here officially today.

MEN OF 21 TO 30 SLATED

Will be Obliged to Register Within Next Three Weeks for Service, is Present Ontlook.

Every man in the country between the ages of 21 and 31 will be obliged to enroll for military service within the next three weeks. This was indicated at the War Department yesterday, following agreement by the House and Senate conferees on the selective conscription bill.

The machinery was ready to start grinding on the draft army of 500,000 which will be brought to the colors by the new law. Final detailed arrangements had been completed to start the gears whirling the moment President Wilson signs the bill and says the word.

It was announced yesterday that the date for registration had not yet been determined upon, but that President Wilson was expected to set it within a week or ten days of the signing of the bill. The President himself will select the date for the first registration. He will make it public in an executive proclamation calling upon the men between the ages mentioned to submit themselves for enrollment and examination at certain places already chosen by the War Department.

The election machinery of the government has been called into service for the registration. Registration booths will be established in each village, town, hamlet and city election districts. Officers of the War Department will be in general charge and will pass on the exemptions which will be allowed.

It was made plain yesterday that there will be no effort by the War Department to limit the first 500,000 seelctive conscripts to the younger of the registered men. The law is construed by the department experts to prohibit this specifically. In other wards, the 500,000 will include not alone men of 21 and 22, but also those of 29 and 30. As a man reaches his thirty-first birthday he will automatically be released from the necessity of registration.

Under the law proposed, the War Department believes it could bring forthwith into the service between 6,000,000 and 8,000,000 men. The first draft, however, calls for only 500,000, so the exemptions will far out number the selections.

Strict penalties are being provided for failure to register, and the department is in possession of a complete plan for checking up on all men between the service ages in the country so that none can escape.

The possible allotment of men from Alexandria will be 68.

QUARTER MILLION TREES PLANTED

Will be Sold to Land Owners at Cost When Proper Size.

Charlottesville, May 11.— A tree nursery has been started at the University of Virginia by Prof. R. C. Jones, state forester, and a quarter million trees have been planted. They will be sold to land owners at cost when they are one, two, and three years old for ornament, shade, or forest planting.

Following are the varieties and pounds of seed planted: Loblolly pine, known in Tidewater Virginia as longleaf pine, 15 pounds; short leaf pine, common in Piedmont Virginia, 2 pounds; white pine, 4 pounds; Norway spruce, 1 pound; and cypress, 1-2 pound.

The seed is planted in 40 seed frames which are 12 feet long, 4 fet wide, and 1 foot high. They are enclosed in wire to keep out birds and mice, with a lathe cover which may be entirely or partly removed to regulate light. These trees will cost the state of Virginia from $2 to $4 a thousand to raise. They may be planted 1,200 to the acre.

Will Send 162 Men to Fort Myer.

Charlottesville, Va., May 11.—The University of Virginia will send 162 men to the training camp at Fort Myer, Va., which opens May 14. Examinations lasted up to May 4, and 61 men failed to pass the rigid physical test. As the youngest men that could apply had to be twenty-one years and nine months old, practically every eligible man in the University took the examination.

Deviled Crabs, little neck clams and clam chowder at Rammel's Cafe.

COUNCIL OF DEFENSE

Governor Stuart Calls on Citizens to Rally to Nation's Call in Every Line of Effort.

Richmond, Va., May 11.—Gen. E. W. Nichols, superintendent of the Virginia Military Institute, who was recently appointed by Governor Stuart chairman of the Virginia Council of Defense, has called a meeting of that body for next Monday. The other members of the council are L. E. Johnson, president of the Norfolk and Western Railway Company; Homer L. Ferguson, president of the Newport News Shipbuilding Company; James O. Winston, of Louisa; Richard Evelyn Byrd, of Winchester; D. Lawrence Groner, of Norfolk; R. Walton Moore, of Fairfax; Col. E. B. White, of Leesburg; Dr. Ennion G. Williams, State Health Commissioner, of Richmond; Bishop Collins Denny, of Richmond; George B. Keezell, of Keezeltown, and John H. Crockett, of Wytheville.

The purpose of this council, as stated by Governor Stuart is to coordinate the work of the Virginia Agricultural Council of Safety, and all other patriotic organizations of the State, and to provide means of direct communications and co operation with the Council of National Defense in Washington.

Speaking of the need of united effort so that Virginia may play her proper part in the national defense work, Governor Stuart said:

"The seriousness of the situation is not fully recognized by the masses of the people. They must be aroused to a realization of our dangers and responsibilities. A supreme effort must be made by each State in the use of its governmental machinery and in the dedication of the individual and collective influence and energy of its citizens to the common purpose of strengthening the arm of the nation upon which we must rely for victory and permanent peace.

"Virginia today calls upon every citizen, every man and woman, young and old, to come to the colors, either as a soldier in military ranks or as a soldier in the field of production and conservation of the resources which we are to contribute to the sum total of America's fighting strength."

The council has opened offices in the Senate Chamber in the Capitol, and is now being organized as a comprehensive plan. Mr. Groner represented the council at a meeting of the North Carolina Pine Association at Old Point. Dr. Williams will speak for the council at Chancellorsville and Fredericksburg today. General Nichols will speak in Alexandria next Wednesday evening in the Opera House at 8 o'clock.

ALEXANDRIA HOME GUARDS.

Major Albert Bryan Wants to See Every Member of Companies A And B at the Armory Tonight.

Companies A and B of the Alexandria Home Guards will meet tonight in the armory. Major Albert Bryan desires that every man be present. The permanent organization of both companies will be completed and arrangements made for drilling. If you are a member Mr. Reader, be sure to attend. If you are not a member go and join this evening and "do your bit."

Joseph McGuiness, a Sinn Feiner, was elected to the British House of Commons at the special election held to fill the vacancy for the southern division of Longford county, Ireland. His majority was 337 over Patrick McKenna, nationalist.

"In Again—Out Again,"

The first of the new series of Douglas Fairbank's photoplays, will be shown Monday at the Richmond. Fairbanks is pictured as "Teddy," a strenuous advocate of preparedness, whose ideas on the war theme cause him to lose his slight hold on the affections of his pacifist fiancee. Teddy endeavors to keep his spirits up by pouring spirits down. The result is that he lands in jail. His 30 days' sentence passes swiftly, however, because he promptly falls in love with Janie, the jailor's pretty daughter. When his time is up he makes desperate attempts to land himself back in jail. But, like O. Henry's "Soapy," he has a run of hard luck in his fight for a cell. Happy ending? Certainly!

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ALEXANDRIA'S FACILITIES.

It is often said by people from other sections of the country who visit Alexandria that there is no reason why our city should not rank higher in commercial importance, as it is situated upon a river in which nearly anything in the way of marine architecture can float, while it is also on the main tracks of railroads running north and south, trains on half a dozen or more passing through the city night and day. These facilities, however, have not been appreciated as they should, although at times the eyes of capitalists have been turned this way.

At this particular time, however, when the government is active in securing sites for plants it must operate in the near future, and when the shipbuilding industry is to commence on the York river and other places in Virginia, it is time for government officials to cast a glance at Alexandria, which is under the shadow of the national capitol, and where the best facilities are offered for a shipbuilding plant. The shipping board of the Navy Department would, it seems, be acting in the best interests of the government they represent were the members to inspect certain sites in Alexandria as soon as possible.

Mr. M. B. Harlow recently wrote a letter to Senator Swanson in which he set forth the advantages of this city as a ship building point, and requesting the Senator to endeavor to interest the shipping board in the facilities offered here. Mr. Swanson replied to Mr. Harlow's letter and stated that he would endeavor to arrange an early interview between Alexandrians and representatives of the shipping board; also that probably an inspector could be induced to come here, look over the ground and have an interview with representative citizens.

Mr. Harlow replied to Senator Swanson's letter, in which he stated that he would be glad at any time with other Alexandrians to accompany the inspector over the proposed site, which will include a shipyard already in operation.

This property, it will be remembered, was suggested as an eligible site for the government armor plant, and, as was the case then, is offered without cost.

We, of course, cannot say what will be the outcome of this movement, but we repeat what is stated above that it will be to the advantage of the government to have such a plant almost in site of the Navy Department building in Washington.

It may be suggested that it would be difficult to secure enough shipcarpenters in Alexandria for such an enterprise, but it must be remembered that the Government can commandeer men and material from any section of the country.

PALESTINE FOR THE JEWS

It seems to be an assured fact that at the conclusion of the present war the Jews will be no longer a people without a country, but the chosen race of old, who have for centuries been scattered over the earth, will again be in their possession with Jerusalem as the "City of the Great King."

During the entire Christian era the Orthodox Hebrew has been praying with his windows open toward Jerusalem, firmly believing that the forecasts of his prophets will surely come to pass. Many others not Jews, but who are close students of the oracles of God, have also believed that "all things spoken by Moses, the prophets and in the Psalms must come to pass," have awaited the time when Palestine would once more be returned to the descendants of Abraham.

In the days of Peter the Hermit the people of Europe engaged in what is known as the crusade for the purpose of wresting the land from the Turks and making Jerusalem the capital of Christendom. While many of this horde who engaged in this Don Quixote offensive doubtless meant well, the failure of the movement convinced the more conservative that the crusade had been premature.

The Great Teacher in casting the horoscope of exciting happenings at the close of the Christian age said, "And Jerusalem shall be trodden down by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled."

The question is pertinent, Are we nearing the end of the "age?"

The Washington Herald in commenting upon this interesting subject today says that the conference between Mr. Balfour and Justice Brandeis (the latter being a member of the Hebrew race) undoubtedly centered upon that topic which is assuming an ever increasing place in Jewish thought—namely, the establishment of a Zionist state in Palestine under a partial British protectorate at the close of the world war.

The project is a fabric of something more than the "stuff that dreams are made of," and is bound to become a pivotal factor in the peace settlement, in the event of a British conquest of Palestine from the Turks, which now seems inevitable.

The influence of the American government in the peace settlement is going to be felt, and there is every reason to believe that it will support the Zionist project, which is gradually assuming definite shape. Britain, moved by the sheer force of the logic of her own position to recognize the rights of small states and all peoples, beyond doubt will perceive, in the end, the justice of restoring to the Jews their ancient home, in which the glories of their race were won.

DISAPPOINTED GERMANY

Among the many German plans destined to miscarry as the hallucination that the two million or more Germans and citizens of Teutonic descent in the United States would rise as one man for the Fatherland should there be any likelihood of the United States having the temerity to assert its soveriegnty and not recognize Germany's assumption that she could bar the seas to all shipping, neutral as well as hostile. The fact that the great mass of German-Americans, while sympathizing with the mother country so long as the United States remained neutral, hoisted American flags when war was declared by this nation against the haughty Teutons, was a sad disappointment to the Hohenzollerns and their war lords. Germany is now repudiating her own offsprings because they dare to stand by their adopted country, to which they have sworn allegiance and in which they enjoy all the privileges as those native and to the manner born.

Bitter condemnation of German-Americans is the feature of an article in the Kreuz Zeitung, Referring to the loyal resolutions passed at meetings of German-Americans, the paper says:

"German-Americans could not betray their old mother country more shamefully, seeing that nobody will assert that the existence of the United States is endangered by Germany. The more pitiful is the cowardly zeal with which the 2,000,000 German-Americans in their national associations disown their race in time of distress.

"The term German-faithfulness is hereby forever dishonored. Nothing any longer binds us to these 'German' Americans. We only cherish one wish, that, as speedily as possible, they erase the word German from the name of their organization, its use being as insulting to the German people as to themselves."

JANUARY AND MAY

The spring of 1917 is regarded as the coldest within the memory of the oldest inhabitant. The month of April was chilly and unseasonable throughout, and the first ten days of May have showed no material change.

Snow and sleet fell in many sections of lower Shenandoah Valley this week. At Capon Bridge, W. Va., snow and hail covered the ground. Temperatures were yesterday morning near freezing point.

Frosts prevailed in various sections of the adjoining state of Maryland Wednesday night. Truckers last night were preparing for killing frosts and fruit growers were alarmed.

Early this morning there were indications that the Goddess of Spring was about to return. The south wind blew softly, and there were reasons to believe that it would continue from quarter when the beams of sol would be more mellow. Old Boreas, however, seemed to relax his grip, and later the wind veered back to its former quarter—the northwest.

The New York Sun in speaking of meteorological conditions suggest that the weather bureau might as well discontinue its efforts to prove that this is not the worst May weather ever known. Every woman with a new spring suit knows it is. Every man who has finished polishing his golf clubs after a winter's disuse swears it is. Every morning the sun hides itself in clouds and man drapes himself in his worn out winter suit with knees as baggy as Joffre's uniform. The neat little sets of gardening tools—one spade, one hoe, one rake—which the suburbainte has acquired at the department store intent on doing his bit for the common food, stand idly in the corner. No sign of spring appears save that ice has gone up, and the fires in city apartments have gone down.

GOD AND THE KAISER.

From present conditions on the western battle front, it seems that the partnership between God and the Kaiser has been dissolved by the withdrawal of the senior member.

"We are sure to win, because God is with us," was the battle cry of the Germans during the first few months of the war. But the disaster to Teuton arms on the Marne indicated, as Elijah told the priests of Baal, that their divinity was asleep.

During the month since the allied offensive began on the western front they have taken twice the number of prisoners, four times the amount of ground and five times the number of guns taken in the Somme offensive. The British and French between them have captured some 50,000 prisoners and 450 guns. The Arras offensive is much bigger than the Somme, and the next offensive allies will be bigger than Arras.

Regarding the German casualties, it is impossible, of course, to give figures, but there is no disputing the fact that they have been terrible and are comparably larger than that of the allies.

GERMAN IDEA OF REPRISALS.

(Baltimore Sun)

According to an official statement issued in Berlin yesterday, in reprisal for the placing of a German general and fifteen staff officers on French hospital ships in the Mediterranean, the German autorities have placed three times that number of French officers at points especially subject to aerial attack.

The statement is interesting in connection with the report that it has been decided to send German prisoners from England and France to this country. These prisoners must travel on ships which pass through the bar red zone, Probably the Germans will not hesitate to send their own men to the bottom, if they get the chance. Probably also, in what they will call reprisal, they will drown an equal or larger number of prisoners held by them.

It is one of the unfortunate features of the war that the Allies cannot meet German barbarism with barbarism. But that fact should make them all the more determined upon a complete reckoning when the day of reckoning comes.

VIRGINIA'S WHEAT PROSPECTS.

(Richmond Virginian)

While Virginia is not raising one-tenth the amount of wheat she should produce it is interesting to note that much progress has been made in recent years.

The forecast for Virginia for winter wheat is 16,300,000 bushels, which is 50,000 bushels in excess of the 1916 crop. Our 1915 crop broke all records with 16,974,000 bushels, while the 1910-14 average was 9,815,000 bushels.

While the country at large is far below normal in production, Virginia is well above its average. We trust to see the state take its place in the hundred-million bushel class some day. We can do it, by increasing our acreage and our per acre yield. And wheat promises to continue to be real wheat for a long time to come—as good as money at the bank.

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Against that beast (blood-mad and madly blind.)
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And snarl above a ravaged world alone.
They wait the flag—that sign that shall be shown
To prove that with them—one in might and mind—
Their mates from over-sea, long held behind
Strive with them where the foremost lines are thrown.

Dear God, to see that day when France shall turn,
Like some brave mariner who fought the gale
The live-long night, to see against the dawn
Like one great glory in the sunrise, burn
The spread, white wonder of a nearing sail
That signals "We stand by—Sail on, sail on!"

Theodosia Garrison, of the Vigilantes.

TELEPHONE DISPLACES TELEGRAPH.

Southern Railway to Use Telephone to Dispatch Between Washington And Atlanta.

Displacing the telegraph, the telephone is to be used for dispatching trains on the entire line of the Southern Railway System between Washington and Atlanta, 649 miles.

Between Washington and Spencer, N. C., the telephone is now in use and authority nas just been given for the construction of two copper telephone circuits between Spencer and Atlanta, 314 miles. Gangs will be organized and this work will be performed under the jurisdiction of the Superintendent of Telegraph at Charlotte.

When this work is completed the Southern will have continuous train dispatching and message circuits between Washington and Atlanta and these two circuits will also provide a third or phantom circuit for talking purposes and a simplex telegraph circuit between the office at Washington, Atlanta, Charlotte, and important division and junction points, such as Monroe, Va., Greensboro, N. C., Spencer, N. C., Hayne, S. C., and Greenville, S. C.

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Granulated sugar, lb., ...6c
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In Effect December 10, 1916

N. B.—Following schedule figures are published only as information not guaranteed.

Trains leave Union Station, Alexandria.

7:37 A. M., Daily—Local between Washington and Danville, delivers connection daily except Sunday at Orange to C and O., No. 403 for Gordonsville and Richmond.

8:47 A. M. Daily—Local for Harrisonburg and way stations. Buffet parlor car.

9:17 A. M. Daily—Mail train, coaches for Manassas, Warrenton, Orange, Lynchburg, Greensboro and Charlotte.

10:22 A. M. Daily—U. S. Fast Mail stops only for passengers to points at which scheduled to stop. Coaches and Sleeping cars to Atlanta, New Orleans, Birmingham. Sleeping car Salisburg to Ashville. Coaches for Charlottesville, Lynchburg, Danville Greensboro, and Charlotte.

4:22 P. M. Daily—Local for Charlottesville connecting at Calverton for Warrenton.

4:52 P. M. Daily—Birmingham Special. Sleeping cars between New York, Atlanta, Anniston, Birmingham, and Atlanta, Annigton, Birmingham, Through first class coaches between Washington, Atlanta and Birmingham, Dining car service, Tourist to California daily.

4:02 P. M.—Daily local for Harrisonburg and way Stations on Manassas branch. Pullman Buffet parlor cars.

4:22 P. M. Local for Warrenton.

7:17 P. M. Daily—Augusta Special Through train with sleeping cars to Charlotte, Columbia, Aiken and Augusta. Through Sleeping cars to Ashville.

10:02 P. M. Daily—Washington and Chattanooga Limited (via Lynchburg) First class coaches and sleeping cars to Roanoke, Knoxville Chattanooga, Sleeper to New Orleans, Washington to Roanoke Dining car service.

11:02 P. M. Daily—New York and New Orleans Limited. All Pullman train. Club and Observation cars to New Orleans. Dining car service.

4:27 A. M. Daily—Memphis special, sleeping cars and coaches for Roanoke, Knoxville, Nashville, Chattanooga, and Memphis. Dining car service. Washington sleeping cars open 10 p. m.

For detailed schedule figures, tickets, reservations etc., apply to
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H. F. CARY, Gen'l Pass. Agent
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Schedule in effect Nov. 12 1916.

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P. M.----12 20, 12 40, 1 00, 1 20, 1 40; 2 00, 2 20, 2 40, 3 00, 3 20, 3 40, 4 00, 4 20, 4 40, 5 00, 5 20, 5 44, 6 00, 6 40, 7 00, 7 20, 7 35, 8 00, 8 30, 9 00, 9 30, 10 00, 10 30, 11 10, 11 55

Sunday and Holidays, same as above except trains at 5 00, 5 40, 6 00, 6 20, 6 40, 7 10, 7 20, 7 50, and 8 10 A. M and 11 55 P. M.

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We will deliver orders in the order in which they are received, so far as this may prove practical.

Owing to our own increased cost of operation, we are maintaining the present prices at a reduced profit to us and, therefore, we want our customers to thoroughly understand that any increase in the cost of coal or freight cannot be absorbed by us.

We feel that conditions in the coal trade make it wise to take as much coal as possible during the summer months and we strongly urge our trade to put their orders on file with us at the earliest date.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

With the prints of a strangler's fingers on her neck, the body of Mrs. Frank C. Allen was discovered last night in her home in Ridgewood, N. J. Overturned chairs and a scene of confusion indicated that the woman had been killed after a terrific struggle. The woman was 43 years old. Her husband was held as a material witness.

Approximately 90,000 tons of allied shipping which has been tied up in the Gulf of Bothnia since the beginning of the war will be released as the result of an agreement between Great Britain and Sweden. Sweden secures as its part of the bargain the release of its ships laden with foodstuffs and other necessaries which have been detained in British harbors.

Germany is determined to annex Belgium as a war prize. This information reached the State Department yesterday through unofficial sources. The department made public excerpts from the minutes of the Imperial Diet of May 3, when the future of Belgium was discussed.

A "common-law- love," so great that it impelled Rev. Charles Huffman to forsake his Ohio pulpit and work as a laborer while his affinity labored as a domestic was shattered by the police yesterday in Denver, Colo. Huffman and the girl, Miss Gladys Marie Overlander, who was one of the parishioners at East Palestine, Ohio, were both arrested on statutory charges. Huffman was pastor of the United Brethren in Christ Church.

A quadruple murder and suicide were discovered yesterday in the southern part of Todd County, Ky., Charles Millen, his wife Bettie, their son, Elmore Millen, and his wife had been killed with an axe by Frank Millen. Frank's body was found hanging by the neck. He had shot himself through the heart after fixing a noose about his neck. A note was found saying: "This is done to prevent suffering on this earth."

Buenos Aires papers declare that the government has positive information that the Argentine sailing ship Oriana has been sunk by a German submarine. The papers say that the incident is graver than the sinking of the Monte Protegido, and demand that the government act.

American exports to Europe increased $27,000,000 in March, the second month of German's unrestricted submarine warfare, as shown in Department of Commerce figures yesterday. They were $90,000,000 less than in January, however, April statistics have not been compiled.

Two more hospital ships have been torpedoed by German submarines since British airplanes raided the town of Freiburg as a reprisal for previous sinkings of hospital ships, Andrew Bonar Law, member of the British war council, announced today in the house of commons.

Lord Robert Cecil, British minister of blockade, stated in the house of commons yesterday that the British government had no reason to believe any American foodstuffs or feeding stuff would be passed by neutral countries into Germany. The question of the conditions under which the import of American supplies by neutrals would be permitted in the future, he added, no doubt would receive the closest attention by the United States government.

A representative of the German war department has admitted in the reichstag that a number of Belgian subjects resident in Cologne were drafted into the German army in spite of their protests that they were veterans of the Belgian army.

The captain of a Norwegian ship at Baltimore declares that two months ago women were being used at Stettin, Germany, to load and discharge steamers, even running the winches on decks and docks. He also stated that it was becoming difficult to get men to volunteer to man the submarines, of which a number were being built at Stettin.

Munich has just introduced coal cards as a result of the famine during the winter that necessitated the closing of the theaters. The coal cards are to be effective from May 9 to October 23 and entitle each household to 100 weight of coal weekly. The circulation of rumors in Bavaria of German defeats has caused the Bavarian authorities to issue a threat to punish by imprisonment or fine anyone spreading "untrue war news calculated to worry the population."

The Berlin newspaper publishers have informed Chancellor Bethmann-Hollweg that they are in pressing danger of being forced to suspend publication at the end of this week or the beginning of next, owing to the paper shortage. They ask the chancellor to take steps to increase the supply and particularly to furnish fuel to paper factories. The situation was recently emphasized by the newspapers in refusing to publish a speech before the reichstag by Vice Chancellor Helfferich.

The expected general offensive along the Macedonian fronts apparently has been started with full vigor. From Lake Ochrida eastward to the region about Lake Doiran numerous big battles are in progress with the entente allies the aggressors.

VIRGINIA NEWS.

Application for a charter has been filed before the state corporation commission by the officers of the York River Shipbuilding Corporation, with capital of $1,000,000, to be located near West Point, Va., at a landing on the Mattaponi river established two years ago by the Old Dominion Industrial Corporation and known as Port Richmond. The first work to be undertaken by the plant, the construction of which will begin immediately, will be the building of special ships for the United States government, and at the completion of the government work will be converted into a steel ship plant.

Danville has the opportunity of providing one of the two batteries of field artillery which the War Department has authorized and which Major T. M. Wortham, commanding the First Battalion, Virginia Artillery, has been directed by Governor Stuart to raise. Plans are already on foot to find an armory. When the Mexican crisis arose a company known as "Stuart's Cavalry" was organized here with 150 men, but it was never called upon for service. When war was declared on Germany the company again offered its services. The last capital of the Confederacy within a few days will resume war activity for the first time since President Jefferson Davis held his last Cabinet meeting at Danville, for the women of that place will attend the Red Cross lectures that Miss Celia Brian will deliver, starting on May 15.

John W. Rust, Fourth Brigade commander, Virginia division, Confederate Veterans, has made the following appointments for the reunion in Washington from June 4 to 8; Matron of honor, Mrs. Charles J. Gillis, Haymarket; sponser, Mrs. Claude Elbert Wiley, Fairfax; chaperone, Mrs. Hugh Clarkson, Haymarket; maids of honor, Miss Josephine Shields, Roanoke, and Miss Virginia Cave, Gainesville, Col. J. Garnett King, commanding the Army of Northern Virginia division, has appointed Mrs. E. B. White, Leesburg, matron of honor, to represent the Sons of Confederate Veterans of the Eastern section of the state. Col. E. B. White, commander of the Virginia division, Confederate Veterans, has apointed the following: Matron of honor, Mrs. J. Garnett King, Fredericksburg; chaperon, Mrs. C. W. Sumter, of Christiansburg, sponsor, Miss Katherine Stewart, Abingdon; maids, Miss Helen Kevan, Petersburg ,and Miss Hannah Brown McIntosh, Leesburg.

CLOCK TOWER BURNS.

Firemen Save New York City Hall From Destruction.

New York, May 11.— New York's historic City Hall, built more than 100 years ago, constructed mostly of marble and considered architecuarally one of the most beautiful buildings in the country, was threatened with destruction by fire yesterday. Flames broke out in its wooden clock tower, but after an hour's work by the firemen, were under control.

The City Hall was the scene Wednesday of the reception to the French Commission by the city and was brilliantly decorated. Tomorrow the British Commission is due to be received. Although the decorations were torn down during the fire the officials said they would be restored and the reception held.

Only a shell of the clock tower remains and the clock which for generations has told time to millions who passed through Park Row and Broadway was destroyed. The statue of Justice, which surmounted the tower, still stands, however.

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FOR SALE—100 Rhode Island Red Hens, excellent layers, Wm. Tulloch, Hunters Station, P. O. Alexandria, Va., Route No. 1, 110-6t

LOST— Monthly commuter's ticket book on Washington-Virginia railway. Reward to finder if returned to Edward B. Walker, Gazette office.

CAKE SALE—Saturday, May 12, for the benefit of Alexandria Hospital, at Brawner's Grocery Store, Given under auspices of St. John's Episcopal Church, West End. 111-3t

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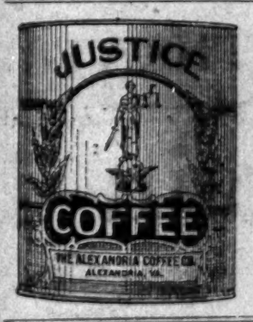

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WANTS PEACE THAT PAYS

France Will Demand Restoration of Alsace-Lorraine.

Paris, May 11.—The report of the finance committee of the chamber of deputies on the bill providing for a new income tax, as a substitute for all other direct taxes, shows that the war has caused a comparatively small increase in taxes in France thus far. It emphasizes the purpose to effect a peace settlement which will impose upon Germany the chief ubrden of meeting the enormous expenditures resulting from the war. The report shows that taxes in England increased during the war from 95 to 265 francs per capita, while the increase in France was from 80 to 103 francs.

"Finally," the report continues, "let us remember that we must impose upon our enemy a considerable part of the burden of this horrible conflict provoked by them alone. We must have a peace that pays. Reintegration into our country of territories wrenched from us in the war of 1870 will aid us in repairing many ruins. We should know also to what extent the central empires will be able to pay us in money the indemnities they will be compelled to render to us and our allies.

"It will be necessary to have compensation in kind, such as the mines of Sarre in German Lorrain and guarantees such as financial control of customs, ports, forests, railroads, mines and other national domain of the enemy which will serve as pledges for annual obligations we should require in case isufficient indemnities are paid in cash.

"In reparation for the damages caused in the invaded sections, we will require of Germany immediate restitution in kind of machines, stocks merchandise, lumber and material of all kinds that have been stolen from our unfortunate people, and also that the towns and villages destroyed by a criminal race of barbarians shall be rebuilt by German hands.

We shall insist, in addition, that ships of the German fleet shall be delivered to us to replace those sunk by the pirates."

AUSTRIANS TO TALK PEACE

Political Leaders Now in Switzerland Hope to be Received.

London, May 11.—The Amsterdam correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Company wires that he has learned from the best of sources that three prominent Austrian politicians are about to leave for Switzerland bearing peace proposals, and that they hope to be given safe conduct to France in order to discuss with the French cabinet the possibility of peace.

Amsterdam, May 11.—"Give our peace terms; if not fully, in part."

That is becoming the national cry in Germany. Dispatches from Berlin yesterday indicated that Dr. von Bethmann-Hollweg, the chancellor, is on the point of answering it soon. From time to time during the past fortnight there have been reports that the German chancellor would speak on Germany's war aims in the reichstag, but disappointment always followed. Now it is again reported that the chancellor will speak on peace next Monday.

The reichstag is expected to adjourn some time next week.

PRO-ALLY FEELING GROWS

Germany Shows Concern Over Situation in Sweden.

Copenhagen, May 11. —Germany is so concerned about the recent tremendous increase in pro-ally sentimen tin Sweden—due to America's entry into the war—that she is probably going to send her most expert propagandist there as ambassador. He is Count von Bernstorff, formerly envoy to Washington.

This decision was persistently reported in advices today from Berlin, It came upon the heels of other authoritative reports that Bernstorff was slated to succeed Zimmerman as foreign secretary, in pursuance with a German governmental plan to seek a reconciliation with America.

That Berlin should have abandoned Zimmerman's replacement and such a course to utilize Bernstorff in the capacity of envoy to Sweden was taken here to indicate the vast importance Berlin attaches to the pro-ally sentiment crystalizing here. There is no mistaking the development of this trend of public feeling in Sweden. It is particularly strong among the farming classes.

STUDENTS' FATAL DRIVE.

Owner of Car Held on Manslaughter Charge After Crash.

Trenton, May 11.—Harold W. Vensel of Pittsburgh, a Princeton student, was yesterday held in $5000 bail, charged with manslaughter in the Mercer County Court. Elms Knowlson, of Detroit, who was with Vensel, and Robert E. Sniffen, of Summit, N. J., when the latter was killed in an automobile crash about two weeks ago, was held in $200 bail.

The three students left Trenton after midnight to return to Princeton in Vensel's high-powered automobile. The car skidded on the slippery road near Lawrenceville, struck a tree and overturned. Sniffen's back was broken and he died instantly. The other two were but slightly hurt. It is charged that the young men had been drinking.

FLOUR MAY GO TO $20

With Food Control It Can Be Cut Under $8, Says Hoover.

New York, May 11.—Herbert C. Hoover, who recently came from Europe to advise the Government on food conditions in Europe, says that without control flour may go to $20 a barrel before the year is over, but that with control "the present price of flour can be reduced 40 to 50 per cent. and that at the same time the producer be treated in a liberal manner."

There is absolutely no occasion for food panic in this country nor any justification for outrageous prices unless the operation of special interests defeats the President in obtaining the necessary powers to control the nation's food fully and adequately. America's problem is not one of famine, for we have now and will have next year, a large surplus. Our problem is, after the proper protection of our own people, to give to our allies the last ounce of surplus of which we are capable.

LEAPS IN PATH OF SHOT.

Boy Probably Fatally Wounded When He Shields Mill Foreman From Employe.

Philadelphia, May 11.—Shielding his father from a rain of bullets yesterday in front of a silk mill on Clarissa street above Hunting Park avenue, Leon Mussick, 17 years old, of No. 2717 Lee St., was shot in the abdomen and is dying in St. Luke's Hospital. After attempting to shoot down two policemen in an attempt to escape, Roscoe Di Rossa, 23 years old, was arrested and charged with being responsible for the boy's condition.

JEALOUSY CAUSED MURDER.

Husband Alleges Trainman Went to Movies with Wife.

Elkins, W. Va., May 11.—To jealousy is attributed the murder Wednesday night of Thad Hall, a trainman of Ronceverte, who was shot four times on the street of Cass, Pocohontas county. George Williams, a locomotive engineer, with whose wife Hall is alleged to have attended the "movies," is in jail charged with the shooting.

Williams has two daughters and Hall has four children.

Official denial that an attempt was made to assassinate the Kaiser has been issued in Berlin.

GIRL KILLED BY AUTOMOBILE.

Miss Loretta Riley Was Walking With Teacher, Also Hurt.

Cumberland, Md., May 11.—Miss Loretta Riley, 19 years old, daughter of Michael Riley, Midland, died at noon yesterday from internal injuries sustained last night when run down by a touring car driven by a man named Wright, of Westernport. Miss Agnes Stakem, a teacher, who was walking with Miss Riley at the time of the accident, was knocked down by the machine and sustained a sprained ankle. Miss Riley was a student at the State Normal School, Frostburg.

The Virginia Federation of Woman's Clubs, which is in its annual session in Lynchburg has elected officers as follows: President, Mrs. J. L. Hagan, Danville; first vice president, Mrs. Walter B. Ryan, of Lynchburg; second vice president, Mrs. F. T. Israel, of Fairfax; third vice president, Mrs. Mark Reid, Radford; recording secretary, Mrs. Z. V. White, Roanoke; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Archibald D. Keen, Danville; treasurer, Mrs. W. A. Fitzpatrick, Bedford; general federation secretary, Miss Helen Norris Cummings, Alexandria.

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